

### Congratulations on your new position!

As a full-time public employee, you are now a member of the Indiana Public Retirement System's (INPRS) Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF). Your employer offers the **My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan**. This plan is an Annuity Savings Account (ASA), which you can invest while working and use to purchase an annuity for lifelong retirement income. To review the contributions your employer makes to your retirement plan, go to the Retirement Savings Plan fact sheet on <u>page two</u>.

As you are looking over the My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan, be sure to think about your investment options. From day one, the money in your ASA is yours to control. Take our award-winning **Investing 101** course at <a href="http://bit.ly/INPRSinvesting101">http://bit.ly/INPRSinvesting101</a> to learn more about investing and find out what kind of investments match up with your goals. For more information about how your ASA works, watch our "What is an Annuity Savings Account?" video at <a href="http://bit.ly/whatisasa">http://bit.ly/whatisasa</a>.

In the coming weeks, you will receive your account login information in the mail. You will need to use this information to log on to your INPRS account and select your investments. When you log on, be sure to provide your email address and select the electronic communication option. This will allow you to receive our quarterly newsletters, account statements and other important information.

If you have any unanswered questions after reviewing this information, please contact us at (888) 286-3544 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. EST.

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Again, congratulations on your new position and welcome to INPRS!



# MY CHOICE: RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

### FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

(Formerly known as the PERF ASA Only Plan)

**PLAN OPTIONS** 

MANDATORY 3% CONTRIBUTIONS\* PAID BY:

EMPLOYER	HYBRID	MY CHOICE	EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	EMPLOYEE	EMPLOYER	VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS BY EMPLOYEE	MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS BY EMPLOYER	DEFAULT OPTION
Evansville Housing Authority		X	0%	Х		0-10%	50% – voluntary	My Choice
Monroe County Public Library	X	Х	5.8%		Х	0-10%	0%	My Choice
Bargersville Community Fire Protection District	Х	Х	0%		Х	0-10%	0%	Hybrid
West Clark Community Schools		Х	0%	Split – b	y position	0-10%	0%	My Choice
Harrison Township – Kosciusko County	Х	Х	3%		Х	0-10%	0%	Hybrid
City of Indianapolis	Х	Х	1%		Х	0-10%	0%	My Choice

Mandatory contributions paid by either the employee or employer equal 3% of the employee's gross wages.

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Contributions<sup>1</sup>

Mandatory 3 percent employee share of gross wages paid by employer, employee, or shared by the employer and employee.

Employer share paid by employer, but member must meet vesting requirements.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Voluntary Contributions**

 Employee may do direct rollovers from qualified plans

#### Voluntary Contributions, continued

- Employee can elect up to 10 percent of gross wages to contribute additional
- Employer may choose to match 0 percent OR 50 percent of employee contributions.
- Employee's voluntary contributions may be pre- or post-tax and the employee elects to do so within the election window

Employee share fully vested upon hire.

Vesting

Employer share based on full years of participation:

- 1 year = 20 percent
- 2 years = 40 percent

- 3 years = 60 percent
- 4 years = 80 percent
- 5 years = 100 percent

Eligibility for Plan Participation

You must be a new employee entering into PERF-covered employment. You will be able to choose membership in either the Hybrid or My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan, if both plans are offered.<sup>3</sup>

### Eligibility for Disability Benefit Payment

- Qualified for Social Security disability benefits and furnished proof of qualification
- Received a salary from an position covered by the My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan within 30 days of termination date
- Minimum of one year of service

Automatic eligibility for withdrawal if receiving a disability benefit.

Withdrawal is limited to the vested portion of the employee's account balance with this option.

### Investment Options

Members direct their investments in a combination of any of eight funds (see list below). The default investment fund is the target date fund based on a member's estimated retirement date.

- Money Market Fund
- Fixed Income Fund

- Large Cap Equity Index Fund
- Small/Mid Cap Equity Fund
- International Equity Fund
- Inflation-Linked Fixed Income Fund
- Stable Value Fund
- Target Date Funds

'My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan employer contribution rates are set annually by the INPRS Board of Trustees. Effective 1/1/17 through 12/31/17, the normal cost of 4 percent is part of the rate employers will pay into the PERF Hybrid Plan. Effective 1/1/17 through 12/31/17, employers can pay 0 to 4 percent into an employee's My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan. Effective 1/1/18 through 12/31/18, the normal cost of 4.1 percent is part of the rate employers will pay into the PERF Hybrid Plan. Effective 1/1/18 through 12/31/18, employers can pay 0 to 4.1 percent into an employee's My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan.

<sup>2</sup>Contribution amounts covering unfunded pension liability are not made to My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan accounts.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>More information is available in the My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan Handbook for Political Subdivisions.



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### Account Information

Daily valuation allows members to manage their ASA investments on a daily basis.

### Withdrawals Before Retirement

Members who are disabled or those with a rollover account balance are eligible for full withdrawals of employee share.

All voluntary distributions for disability and rollover withdrawals require 100 percent of the available amount to be withdrawn.

Employer share withdrawal is limited to the vested portion of the employee's account balance with the disability option.

### Available only when disabled or separated from service

- May leave account invested in PERF, or receive a total distribution
- No partial withdrawals
- Rollover to qualified plan or other eligible retirement account
- No loans

## Income and Options at Retirement

Members who meet the age and minimum balance requirements must make their distribution elections on the retirement application.

#### Choices determine payments

- May defer payment until age 70 1/2
- May choose lump sum or rollover distribution
- May choose monthly payment for annuity
- Amount of distribution determined by account balance, taxes withheld, and distribution option chosen

### Beneficiaries/ Spousal survivors

#### **Payment**

- Following death of retired member under applicable payment options
- Following death of active member in limited circumstances

#### **Balance** payment

 Receives total accumulated amount after death of active members or retired members who elected to defer payment

### FOR YOUR BENEFIT

This handout is an overview of the PERF My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan provisions. Complete details of the plan's provisions are available in the current member handbook. You may read it or print your own copy from the INPRS website at <a href="https://www.inprs.in.gov">www.inprs.in.gov</a>. You may also request a copy in writing or by calling our toll-free number, (888) 286-3544.

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